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Re: Docket No. 2009-008; Cause No. 213-11
Newfield Production Company
Greater Monument Butte Unit

Dear Chairman Johnson:

The Board of Oil, Gas and Mining ("Board") recently approved the Greater Monument Butte (Green River) Unit and issued its Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order (the "Order") in Cause No. 213-11. We have since learned that the Order contains two typographical errors. Although the errors are not substantive, we bring them to your attention to clarify the Board's files in this cause. The errors are both found in Exhibit "B" to the Order, which exhibit identifies the Existing Board Orders and Existing Units and Projects (as those terms are defined in the Order).

The first typographical error occurs on Page 3 of Exhibit "B" in the legal description for the Ashley Unit. The description for the Section 2 lands currently reads:

Section 2: All (Lots 1, 2, 5, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$)

It should read:

Section 2: All (Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$)

In other words, Lots 3 and 4 should be added to the parenthetical.

The second error occurs on Page 10 of Exhibit "B" in the legal description for the Gilsonite Water Flood Project. The description currently reads:

Township 9 South, Range 17 East, S.L.M.

Section 32: All

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It should read:

Township 8 South, Range 17 East, S.L.M.

Section 32: All

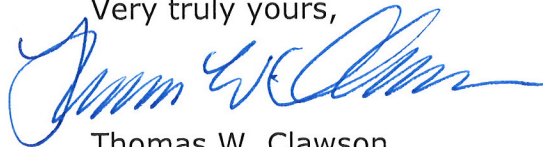
In other words, the subject lands in the Gilsonite Water Flood Project are located in Township 8 South, not Township 9 South.

Neither error is substantive. Neither error involves the Board's subject matter jurisdiction in this Cause. The legal descriptions for the Subject Lands within the Unit Area are correctly identified in the Order. The published and mailed notices and the evidence admitted and entered into the record are accurate. The errors also do not affect any calculations or the determination of any party's rights or interests. The errors simply appear in legal descriptions which are provided as supplemental information used to identify the Existing Board Orders and Existing Units and Projects. Those orders, units, and projects are all otherwise properly identified.

We have discussed the typographical errors with the Board's counsel and have agreed that no remedial action is necessary – the errors do not affect the effectiveness of the Order. The purpose of this letter is to identify and correct the typographical errors and to clarify the Board's records and files.

If you have any questions or need further clarification or information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,



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